Patricia Schmidt

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Patricia L. “Pat” Schmidt, 87, passed away on June 17, 2025. She was born March 22, 1938 to Charles and Lillian (Hinkle) Werline in Elwood, Indiana.

Pat was a 1956 graduate of Presentation Academy and attended Nazareth College. She started her career as a teacher in Catholic schools in Louisville, Lexington, and Covington. She was a secretary for a number of years, then worked as a Teacher Assistant for Jefferson County Public schools working with special needs children at Emmet Field Elementary and kindergarten students at Audubon Traditional Elementary until her retirement in 2007.

Pat was active in her community, having served for many years as a neighborhood representative from the Reservoir Park neighborhood to the Crescent Hill Community Council, a Democratic Precinct captain, and member of the Louisville Water Company advisory board. Pat taught religious instruction for years in the CCD program

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at St. Elizabeth of Hungary and Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Pat served on the board of the Hildebrand House, was a proud Kentucky Colonel, and actively involved in the various activities of her family.

Pat was a talented artist, particularly watercolors. She loved traveling with family, visiting historic landmarks, wine tasting, and occasional trips to the casinos. Her home was always open to all and she loved hosting family and friends at her house. Many enjoyed her cooking, especially her lasagna, fried chicken, chili, and potato salad. Pat enjoyed the thrill of amusement park rides, particularly rollercoasters.

Pat was preceded in death by her husband, John Hardy “Jack” Schmidt; her son, Paul Francis Schmidt; her parents, Charles and Lillian Werline; and siblings, Mary Price, Charles Werline, Rita Werline, and Lillian Saufnauer.

Pat is survived by her children; Dennis Schmidt (Sarah Warren), Kathy Kline (Ray), Jon Schmidt (Kerry), and Tina Schmidt; her sisters, Joan Schmidt and Madonna Lawrence; her grandchildren; Cate Heady, Bob Heady, Anna Heady, Carson Malone, and Maddie Schmidt; and many loved nephews, nieces, extended family members, and friends.

Visitation will be from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, June 30th at Highlands Funeral Home, 3331 Taylorsville Road.

The funeral Mass will be on Tuesday, July 1st at 10:00 a.m. at St. Stephen Martyr Catholic Church, 2931 Pindell Avenue.